

Surrey Heritage Advisory Commission - Minutes

1E - Committee Room B City Hall 13450 - 104 Avenue Surrey, B.C.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 28, 2020

Time: 5:06 p.m.

Present:Absent:Staff Present:Councillor Annis, ChairF. LouR. Gallagher, H

Councillor Annis, Chair M. Gibbs

B. Hol P. Priddy

L. Tannen

R. Gallagher, Heritage Facilities and

Administration Manager D. Zuk, Heritage Planner

L. Blake, Administrative Assistant

ELECTIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

1. Election of 2020 Vice-Chair

It was Moved by Commissioner Hol

Seconded by Commissioner Priddy

That Commissioner Tannen be elected as the

2020 Vice-Chair of the Surrey Heritage Advisory Commission.

Carried

A. ADOPTIONS

1. Adoption of the Agenda

It was Moved by Commissioner Tannen

Seconded by Commissioner Priddy

That the agenda of the Surrey Heritage

Advisory Commission meeting held on January 28, 2020 be amended by adding:

- 1. Item G.1: Sustainability Dashboard; and
- 2. Item G.2: Round Up Café Book Launch Event.

And that the agenda be adopted as amended.

Carried

2. Minutes – November 13, 2019

It was Moved by Commissioner Tannen

Seconded by Commissioner Hol

That the minutes of the Surrey Heritage

Advisory Commission meeting held on November 13, 2019 be adopted.

Carried

B. DELEGATIONS

C. OUTSTANDING BUSINESS

D. NEW BUSINESS

1. PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT

(a) Proposed Demolition - Christ Church Bell Hall 16613 Bell Road

File: 6800-10

Daren Zuk, Heritage Planner, summarized the report dated January 20, 2020 regarding a proposed demolition for the Christ Church Bell Hall located at 16613 Bell Road. The property owner of the Hall has approached the City to inquire about removal of the building from the Heritage Register to allow for demolition. The following information was highlighted:

- The Hall was built in 1932 in memory of Reverend William Bell.
 The Hall was added to the Heritage Register in December 2000 for its architectural, historical and cultural significance.
- The current owner has advised staff that the building is not in suitable condition for long-term rehabilitation or retention, and the non-profit Church group does not have the funding available for rehabilitation. In addition, the Fire Department has deemed the structure as a public safety concern due to illegal activity, such as squatting and fire risks. The property is currently boarded up and fenced off from the public.

In response to a question from the Commission, Mr. Zuk advised that there is not currently a development application for the site, and if a demolition permit is issued, the site would be remediated.

COMMISSION RECOMENDATION

It was Moved by Commissioner Tannen

Seconded by Commissioner Priddy That the Surrey Heritage Advisory

Commission:

- 1. Receive the report dated January 20, 2020 for information;
- 2. Proceed with Option Two: Document and Remove from the Heritage Register; and
- 3. Recommend that Council remove the Christ Church Bell Hall located at 16613 Bell Road from the Surrey Heritage Register.

 Carried

(b) SHAC Task List

File: 0540-20V

Daren Zuk, Heritage Planner, advised that there are no updates since the November 13, 2019 meeting.

The Commission directed staff to add the South Asian History in Surrey research project to the Task List. Ryan Gallagher, Heritage Administration and Facilities Manager, suggested that the project researcher, Jazmin Hundal, could be invited to a future meeting to provide a project update.

(c) Addition of the Wixalbrown House to the Heritage Register 13667 Grosvenor Road

File: 6800-10

Daren Zuk, Heritage Planner, summarized the on-table report dated January 23, 2020 regarding the proposed addition of the Wixalbrown House located at 13667 Grosvenor Road to the Heritage Register. A development application (No. 7919-0355-00) has been submitted to the City, which does not propose the retention of an identified heritage building currently listed on the on the Heritage Inventory (outlined in Appendix I attached to the report). The following information was highlighted:

- The Wixalbrown House was added to the Heritage Inventory by the Commission in 2015. It was initially identified as part of the City Centre Plan Heritage Study.
- The house is valued for its association with early residential settlement in North Surrey and its Arts and Crafts style architecture.
- A Heritage Consultant has recommended that the Wixalbrown House be retained and supported using materials from another heritage house on a different lot within the development application.
- The developer has advised staff that even with additional density incentives, the rehabilitation and retention of the house is not feasible.

The Commission noted the following comments:

- The house is unique and there are few like it that are protected.
- The developer is known for his appreciation of heritage.
- Alternative retention options, such as adaptive reuse or stratification were suggested.

It was Moved by Commissioner Priddy
Seconded by Commissioner Hol
That the Surrey Heritage Advisory

Commission:

- 1. Receive the report dated January 23, 2020 for information; and
- 2. Direct staff to work with the developer to determine the financial aspect of retaining the Wixalbrown House located at 13667 Grosvenor Road as part of Development Application No. 7919-0355-00.

With the consent of the Commission, Commissioners Priddy and Hol withdrew the motion before the question was put.

The Chair recognized Charan Sethi, Tien Sher Group of Companies. Mr. Sethi is the developer of Application No. 7919-0355-00 and provided the following information:

- There are numerous deficiencies within the house, including the exterior stucco, roof and under structure.
- The Heritage Consultant outlined how to house could be rehabilitated but the associated costs are not always presented.
- While options were presented demonstrating how new development and retention of the Wixalbrown House could be achieved, the plans were ultimately not feasible, even with additional density incentives. Construction of an underground parkade for any development of the site would require that the House be temporarily relocated and it is not anticipated that the house is in good enough condition to withstand this.
- The Tien Sher Group of Companies is currently developing a book regarding Whalley and would include the Wixalbrown House.

Mr. Sethi advised that he is supportive of the Wixalbrown House being added to the Heritage Register so that it can be properly documented.

The Commission provided the following comments:

- It is important to add the House to the Heritage Register to demonstrate its historical merit and mandate.
- The Commission suggested that staff continue to work with the developer on retention options.
- It was reiterated that the City's Heritage Grant funding should be increased so that heritage homes do not fall into a state of disrepair.

COMMISSION RECOMENDATION

It was Moved by Commissioner Gibbs

Seconded by Commissioner Hol That the Surrey Heritage Advisory

Commission recommend that Council:

1. Receive the report dated January 23, 2020 for information; and

2. Add the Wixalbrown House located at 13667 Grosvenor Road to the Surrey Heritage Register.

Carried

2. PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURE

(a) Heritage Storyboards Update

File: 6800-01

Ryan Gallagher, Manager of Heritage Administration and Facilities, summarized the report dated January 17, 2020 providing an update on the heritage storyboards. The funding request is related to the existing high-pressure laminate material standard used by the Commission. Mr. Gallagher noted that a new aluminum-based product will significantly reduce costs. It also includes a UV and graffiti coating.

In response to questions from the Commission, Mr. Gallagher provided the following information:

- The aluminium-style storyboards can likely be fabricated with less glare than the sample provided.
- There is a significant cost difference between the aluminum-style and high-pressure laminate storyboards. Mr. Gallagher will report back later in the year outlining actual costs for fabrication and installation.
- The research for the proposed storyboards has already been completed. The funding request is strictly for fabrication and installation.

The Commission expressed support for the new proposed storyboards and suggested that an online heritage layer outlining the City's heritage assets, including storyboards, be added to the City's Arts & Culture Map.

COMMISSION RECOMENDATION

It was Moved by Commissioner Hol

Seconded by Commissioner Priddy That the Surrey Heritage Advisory

Commission recommend that Council:

1. Receive the report dated January 17, 2020 for information; and

2. Allocate up to \$16,000 (plus applicable taxes) from the Surrey Heritage Advisory Commission unrestricted reserve fund for the development, fabrication, and installation of heritage storyboards as outlined in the report.

Carried

(b) SHAC Representative on Heritage Services Community Advisory Board

File: 0540-20V

Ryan Gallagher, Manager of Heritage Administration and Facilities, summarized the report dated January 2, 2020 regarding a Surrey Heritage Advisory Commission representative for the Heritage Services Community Advisory Board (HSCAB). The HSCAB is a twelve-member board that provides community advice and input regarding annual service plans for the Museum of Surrey, Historic Stewart Farm and Surrey Archives, the heritage artifact collection, as well as special projects that arise from time to time. The HSCAB meets five times per year and is comprised of representatives from various community sectors including business, education, heritage stakeholders and Surrey residents.

Commissioner Priddy advised that she is already a community representative on the Board.

It was Moved by Commissioner Tannen

Seconded by Commissioner Priddy That the Surrey Heritage Advisory

commission appoint:

- 1. Commissioner Gibbs to serve on the Heritage Services Community Advisory Board for a two-year term; and
- 2. Commissioner Hol to serve as an alternate on the Heritage Services Community Advisory Board for a two-year term.

Carried

- 3. ENGINEERING
- 4. LEGISLATIVE SERVICES

E. CORRESPONDENCE

F. INFORMATION ITEMS

G. OTHER BUSINESS

1. Sustainability Dashboard

File: N/A (Verbal Report)

Commission Tannen noted that heritage information on the City's Sustainability Dashboard was last updated in 2017 and requested that staff update the information as time resources permit.

Ryan Gallagher, Heritage Administration and Facilities Manager, advised that it is anticipated that there will be an upcoming opportunity for staff to review the dashboard measures and suggest new ones, if required. An update regarding the dashboard could be provided at a future meeting.

2. Round Up Café Book Launch Event

File: N/A (Verbal Report)

Commissioner Priddy advised that a book launch for *Round Up Café*: Stories from the Round Up Café is scheduled for March 1, 2020 at the Round Up Café. The book was created with a cultural grant from the City.

H. FINANCIALS

1. Financial Summary as at November 30, 2019

File: 0540-20V

It was Moved by Commissioner Hol

Seconded by Commissioner Tannen That the Surrey Heritage Advisory

Commission receive the Financial Summary as of November 30, 2019 for

information.

Carried

I. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Surrey Heritage Advisory Commission (SHAC) is scheduled for 5:00 p.m. on **February 12, 2020** in **2E Committee Room B.**

J.

ADJOURNMENT	
It was	Moved by Commissioner Hol Seconded by Commissioner Priddy
Commission meeting do now adjourn.	That the Surrey Heritage Advisory <u>Carried</u>
The Surrey Heritage Advisory Commission adjourned at 6:03 p.m.	
Jennifer Ficocelli, City Clerk	Councillor Annis, Chairperson

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Tuesday, January 28, 2020

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- 3. Remove the Christ Church Bell Hall located at 16613 Bell Road from the Surrey Heritage Register.

2. Addition of the Wixalbrown House to the Heritage Register 13667 Grosvenor Road

File: 6800-10

That Council:

- 1. Receive the report dated January 23, 2020 for information (Appendix II); and
- 2. Add the Wixalbrown House located at 13667 Grosvenor Road to the Surrey Heritage Register.

3. Heritage Storyboards Update

File: 6800-01

That Council:

- 1. Receive the report dated January 17, 2020 for information (Appendix III); and
- 2. Allocate up to \$16,000 (plus applicable taxes) from the Surrey Heritage Advisory Commission unrestricted reserve fund for the development, fabrication, and installation of heritage storyboards as outlined in the report.